

Christmas Greetings 1915

The opportunity is not ours to thank all of our patrons in person for their kindness and patronage during the past year. Will you not accept this as evidence of our thorough appreciation of yours?

Permit us to wish you a Merry Christmas and extend our hearty best wishes for your success during the New Year about to begin.

J. W. Lomax & Co.
Laclede, Missouri

Public Sale

Miss Emma Gould will sell at public sale at the Gould residence west of Laclede on

Tuesday, January 4, 1916,

all her household goods consisting of rugs, tables, chairs, parlor, bedroom and kitchen furniture.

Sale to begin promptly at 1 p. m.

Terms:—Sums of \$10 and under cash; sums over \$10 a credit of six months with approved note.

Laclede Theatre

Richard Harding Davis' powerful story of adventure and revolution, with the aid and co-operation of the United States navy and Cuban army,

"SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE."

Produced under personal direction of Mr. Thomas with Dustin Farnum in the leading role.

Friday Night, December 31,
Admission 10 and 20 cents.



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The Retired Minister

The obligation of the church to the retired ministers and their dependents is becoming the topic of discussion and action not only of church and the church papers, but leading publications of the country have taken up the subject in a convincing and far reaching manner. Late copies of the Literary Digest and the Youth's Companion have given to their readers lengthy, logical and forcible articles on this subject.

And besides this general public sentiment of the press every protestant church of national worth has put on an active campaign for permanent endowment fund for these worthy men and women and the dependent children of deceased ministers. Rev J. D. Mendenhall, field secretary, will present this subject at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Come out and hear what he has to say. Do not stay away from the services, feeling that if you come you will place yourself under obligation to contribute to the cause,—that will be a matter for you to determine. Come and hear what he has to say on the subject and then let your Christian conscience settle the matter of your giving and give only on the merits of the claim.

Former Citizen Buried Here

The remains of H. Clay Clarkson, a citizen of Laclede back in the sixties, was brought here from Jacksonville, Ill., last Sunday and given burial by the side of his wife in the Laclede cemetery. The Clarkson family were among the very early settlers of the town, being engaged in the mercantile business here as early as 1864. They moved from here to Linneus and engaged in the mercantile business, Clay Clarkson afterwards being elected county treasurer. He left this county more than forty years ago and lived in Nebraska until a few years ago since which time he has lived with his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Elliott and family at Jacksonville. He was 72 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott accompanied the remains, returning to their home Sunday night.

The Road Dragging Fund

F. A. Trumbo, county highway engineer, was in Laclede Tuesday on business connected with his office. Mr. Trumbo has letters and other evidence in his possession that tend to show Col. Buffum, state highway commissioner, is the one at fault in Linn county not receiving its portion of the state road dragging fund. There is contention between the county board and Col. Buffum over a few miles of road north of Brookfield but they are together on all other roads of the county. The county court and county highway board has repeatedly made requisition for the road dragging fund on all roads not in dispute but Col. Buffum will not honor the requisition, using the authority of his office to force his personal views on all road matters in this county. In the meantime Linn county is being deprived of its right to participate in the distribution of the automobile road fund by an autocratic state official.

Notice to Hunters

Notice is hereby given that no hunting or trapping, either day or night, will be permitted on lands owned or leased by any of the undersigned.

W. R. PEACHER J. T. BASSETT
G. W. SYMS F. F. WELSH
W. H. GLOVER JACOB BOESIGER
C. H. FRAZIER R. A. DODD
N. R. WILSON J. A. YOUNT
CHAS. JENNINGS FRANK FAIR
G. M. WEST

Now, hunters, keep out and you will have no trouble with the above named farmers.

Movies for New Year's Eve

On New Year's eve, Friday night, December 31, "Soldiers of Fortune," will be given at the Laclede theatre. This is Richard Harding Davis' powerful story of adventure and revolution, with the aid and co-operation of the United States navy and Cuban army. America's foremost portrayer of western characters, Dustin Farnum is in the leading role. There are six parts with 285 thrilling scenes. With this production the Friday night shows will be discontinued and the special feature shows will be given on Wednesday nights and the regular 5 and 10 cent shows on Saturday nights.

Reminder of Early Days

Carrier Ed. Finney of route three reports having seen a flock of 39 prairie chickens take wing in the field of Roy Lambert east of town last Monday. Such sights were common years ago but it is a rare thing to see such birds now. This bunch probably came down from Baker township where they are said to be quite numerous and multiplying rapidly under the protection of the farmers of that locality.

Royal Neighbor Resolutions

Resolutions of respect to our deceased neighbor, Delilah Hunter, of Brookfield who died December 9, 1915. She was a faithful member of this camp for some time past, therefore be it.

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That in the death of neighbor, Delilah Hunter this camp has lost a most faithful member and the family a loving daughter and sister. To them the loss is most keenly felt. The vacant chair is a reminder of the loved one whose voice is stilled. Be it further, Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days and that a page of our records be set aside as a memorial page on which these resolutions be inserted and that a copy be sent to the family as a token of our sympathy and respect.

ALLIE HARTER,
ALLIE LOMAX,
IDA DAVIS,
Committee.

Tax Books Are Open

The tax books for 1915 are open. Office in Geo. M. Nichols & Son's furnitures store.

J. B. JONES, Collector.

For Sale

Choice lot of R. C. Rhode Island cockerels, \$1 each. Phone 705.
MRS. G. W. SYMS,
Laclede, Mo.

Had Cause for Pride.

Traveler—"I say, what are you people so proud about? Last time I came here everybody was very friendly, and now I can hardly get a person to speak!" Uncle Eben—"You'll pardon us, but it's our town pride. You see, Joe Summers picked up a guidebook that fell out of a motor car last week, and we found that the old tannery swamp is a mountain tarn, Simmons' stone quarry a precipice, Bill Moodler's beerhouse a wayside inn and the whole blooming country chock full of historical antidotes and delusions."

Shea Tree Cuts Butter Cost.

One shea tree beside each man's back porch would cut a big slice of butter off the monthly food bill. In Africa vegetable butter is made from the fruit of this tree, and it is said to be of richer taste than any butter made from cows' milk—alleged or actually scraped from a churn and squeezed into the wooden mold which leaves a yellow rosebud on top of the cake. The Arabs used it in early times, but the Greeks and Romans did without it, used oil, and consequently wore purple silk togas.

Worth-While Quotations.

Instill in the minds of our young the necessity for building a character that will win the esteem of all, this is vastly more important than a great future.—Marshall Field.



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This is a splendid opportunity for a man without much money to get a flying start on the road to independence. Write me today about a location before the good land is all taken up. The railroad employs me to help you locate and my services are free. S. B. HOWARD, Immigration Agent, Room 418, 1004 Farnam St., Omaha, Nebr.

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